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SUBJECT: COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (AGRICULTURE); COMMISSION

REACTS TO CHIRAC'S CHARGES

REF: EC BRUSSELS 4030

1. THE COMMISSION ISSUED A STATEMENT ON JULY 19 TO RESPOND TO FRENCH AGRICULTURAL MINISTER CHIRAC'S ATTACK ON COMMISSIONER CHEYSSON DURING THE AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL ON JULY 16 IN WHICH CHIRAC ACCUSED CHEYSSON OF FAILING TO PROTECT FRENCH NATIONAL INTERESTS WITHIN THE COMMISSION. THE COMMISSION STATEMENT DREW ATTENTION TO THE TREATY OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION NEITHER TO SOLICIT NOR TO ACCEPT INSTRUCTIONS FROM ANY MEMBER STATE GOVERNMENT. THE STATEMENT ALSO REMINDED MEMBER

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STATES THAT THEY ARE COMMITTED TO RESPECT THIS INDEPENDENCE AND

NOT TO TRY TO EXERT INFLUENCE ON MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION.

2. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD IN CONFIDENCE BY A MEMBER OF COMMISSION
PRESIDENT ORTOLI'S CABINET THAT, WHILE THE INCIDENT WAS REGRETTE
IT WAS FELT THAT THIS WAS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCH A REMINDER.
WE ALSO WERE TOLD THAT THE INCIDENT WILL PERHAPS HELP CHEYSSON
BECAUSE HIS INDEPENDENCE HAS NOW BEEN RATHER CLEARLY ESTABLISHED
AND IT WILL BE UNLIKELY THAT HE WILL BE THOUGHT TO BE UNDULY
REPRESENTING FRANCE. A MEMBER OF CHEYSSON'S CABINET
TOLD US, ALSO IN CONFIDENCE, THAT CHEYSSON WAS NOT TERRIBLY
UPSET BY THIS MATTER AND HE DID NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD HAVE ANY
LASTING EFFECT. GREENWALD

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